

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: BB and Pellet Gun Use (GC Policy #22-31)

1. BB and pellet guns have the potential to cause serious injury and permanent disabilities when used improperly. The Alaska Trauma Registry indicates that hospitalizations range from brain to eye injuries from misuse of BB or pellet guns.
2. Unsafe use of BB and Pellet guns dictates this policy be adopted for U.S. Army, Alaska. All personnel (active duty, family members, civilian employees and guests) are expected to comply with this policy. Failure to do so may result in administrative sanctions to include reprimand, early return of dependents, and being barred from Post.
3. BB and pellet guns may be used with the following limitations:
 - a. Use of BB and pellet guns is prohibited in housing areas and within 500 feet of buildings, vehicle parking/storage lots, playgrounds and park areas.
 - b. Adult supervision is required when used by children under 16 years of age.
 - c. Eye protection (safety glasses/goggles) is recommended.
 - d. Firing across roadways or firing from vehicles (motorized or non-motorized) is prohibited.
 - e. Firing at animals (domestic or wild), to include birds and fish, is prohibited.
 - f. BB and pellet guns must be kept secured out of the reach of children under 16 years of age and must be stored unloaded.

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